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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMANN, EUR; FROM AMB RIVERO

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SUBJECT: PRESS SEMINAR ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

1. EMBASSY ORGANIZING WEEKEND SEMINAR ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY FOR 40 LEADING POLITICAL, INTERNATIONAL AND ECONOMIC JOURNALISTS IN SPAIN. SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT RESORT HOTEL 40 KILOMETERS FROM MADRID WEEKEND MARCH 22, 23, 24. PURPOSE IS TO CONVEY COMPREHENSIVE, IN-DEPTH UNDERSTANDING OF PRINCIPAL ASPECTS U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS, ATLANTIC COMMUNITY RELATIONS, U.S.- SPANISH RELATIONS AND U.S. ECONOMIC POLICY AND RELATIONS WITH EUROPE.

2. ALTHOUGH I REALIZE IT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO GET AWAY AT THAT STILL-EARLY STAGE OF YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT, I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO COME TO MADRID ON A COMBINATION VISIT IN WHICH YOU WOULD SPEND FRIDAY, MARCH 22, MEETING WITH LEADING GOS OFFICIALS AND SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 23, PARTICIPATING IN SEMINAR BY MAKING PRESENTATION ON ATLANTIC COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND ENGAGING DISCUSSION ON SUBJECT FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO-HOUR PERIOD. YOU WOULD BE FREE BY EARLY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

3. YOUR PRESENCE AT SEMINAR WOULD OF COURSE GREATLY ENHANCE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EVENT BOTH IN TERMS OF YOUR POSITION AND EXPERTISE ON SUBJECT. IN ADDITION, I

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BELIEVE YOU WOULD FIND MEETING TOP-RANKING GOS

OFFICIALS EXTREMELY USEFUL FOLLOWING SECRETARY KISSINGER'S TWO VISITS HERE, THE PLANNED VISIT OF THE SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER TO WASHINGTON IN MARCH AT THE SECRETARY'S INVITATION AND ESPECIALLY AT WHAT IS NOW THE INITIAL STAGE MOVING TOWARD NEGOTIATION OF A RENEWAL OF THE BASE AGREEMENT.

4. I WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE LETTING ME KNOW IF WE CAN COUNT ON YOUR PRESENCE AT THAT TIME OR IF OTHER COMMITMENTS WILL PREVENT YOUR ACCEPTANCE. BEST REGARDS.
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